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HIS Majesty having granted a Commission to seven Knights Companions of the most noble Order of the Garter, giving Power to them or to any two or more of them, to install the Right Honourable the Earl of Scarborough and the Lord Viscount Townshend Knights lately Elected into that most Honourable Fraternity, and to proceed therein and perform all Ceremonies which are required by the Statutes and Ordinances of that Order; the two Knights Elect came to the Great Chamber in the Lodgings of the Dean of Windsor this Morning about Ten of the Clock, apparelled in the Under Habits of the Order, carrying their Caps adorned with Feathers in their Hands: Soon afterwards came thither five of the Commissioners, hereafter-named, all of them robed in the compleat Habits and with the Ensigns of the Order. Then the Alms Knights being in their proper Mantles going two and two, begun the Procession towards the Chapter-House, and were followed by the Prebends in their Mantles, next the Officers of Arms in their Tabarts, then the two Knights-Elect a-breast, after whom the Officers of the Order, that is the Senior Prebend being constituted Deputy to the Register, having on his Right Hand Garter King of Arms carrying the Sovereign's Commission, and on his Left the Gentleman-Usher carrying the Black Rod, wearing their Crimson Satin Mantles and the Badges of their Offices; then the five Knights Companions Commissioners, the Juniors in the Order going first, viz.

The Duke of Rutland single,
The Earl of Lincoln having the Duke of Grafton on his Right Hand,
The Duke of Newcastle with the Duke of Dorset on his Right.

Having thus entered into the North Isle of the Chapel, the Alms Knights, Prebends, and Officers of Arms, made a Stand in their proper Distances beyond the Door of the Chapter-House, the Knights Elect retired to Chairs placed for them in the Passage behind the Altar, and the three Officers of the Order went into the Chapter-House: The Knights Commissioners upon their Entry therein seated themselves according to Seniority and the Situation of their Stalls in the Chapel; when the Commission being presented with the usual Reverences, and other due Ceremonies performed, Garter was commanded to conduct the Earl of Scarborough to the Door of the Chapter-House, where his Lordship was received by the two Junior Commissioners and introduced between them, and the same Method was observed with relation to the Lord Viscount Townshend, who were then respectively invested with the Surcoats of the Order, during which Time the proper Admonitions were given them; and these Knights Elect remained in the Chapter-House, while a Procession was made into the Chapel to offer the Hatchments of the Duke of Richmond and of the Earl of Oxford and Mortimer the late deceased Knights, which was performed in the following Manner.

The Poor Knights entered two and two, and being come to the Middle of the Choir made their Reverences all together, first to the Altar, then towards the Sovereign's Stall, and proceeded up to the Rails which encompass the Altar, where they placed themselves on each Side; which being done,

The Prebends entered in the same manner, and stood all of them below the Poor Knights, excepting two of them who went up to the Altar.

The Officers of Arms entered in the like manner and stood below the Prebends on both Sides.

The Officers of the Order came next, with the same Ceremonies, and stood before their own Seat or Form.

Then the five Knights Companions present entered one after the other singly, because the Knights who were their Companions in the opposite Stalls were absent; the Junior entering first, and making his Reverences in the Middle of the Choir to the Altar and then to the Sovereign's Stall, retired and stood in the Area of the Choir under his Banner, who having thus placed himself, the next Knight did the same, which was repeated by all these Knights singly according to the Situation of their respective Stalls, and then the Banners, Swords and Helmets of the two deceased Knights were offered with the usual Ceremonies and Solemnities by these Companions, viz.

The Duke of Richmond's Banner by the Duke of Dorset on the Right Hand and the Duke of Newcastle, his Sword by the Duke of Grafton on the Right and Earl of Lincoln, his Helmet by the Duke of Dorset on the Right and the Duke of Rutland.

The Earl of Oxford's Banner by the Duke of Dorset on the Right and the Duke of Newcastle, his Sword by the Duke of Grafton on the Right and the Earl of Lincoln, his Helmet by the Duke of Dorset on the Right and the Duke of Rutland.

Which being performed, the Knights Companions retired under their respective Banners, and after due Reverences made, the Return to the Chapter House was in the Order specified above, and from thence a Procession was again made into the Choir in the same Manner, save only, that Garter, being in the Middle between the Deputy Register and the Black-Rod, carried on a Velvet Crimson Cushion edged and tasselled with Gold, the Mantle, Hood, George Appendant to the Great Collar, and the Book of Statutes to the Desk of the Seat below the thirteenth Stall on the Sovereign's Side, designed for the Earl of Scarborough, and the Knights entred into the Chapel with the accustomed Ceremonies,

The Duke of Rutland,
The Earl of Lincoln,
The Duke of Grafton,

The Duke of Dorset on the Right and the Duke of Newcastle, having between them the Earl of Scarborough habited in his Surcoat and carrying his Cap in his Hand.

The three first named Junior Knights retired under their respective Banners, and the two Seniors conducted the Knight Elect into the Seat where Garter had placed the Cushion with the Ensigns of the Order; there the Knight Elect laying his Right Hand on the New Testament took the Oath for the Observation of the Statutes; which being done, these two Commissioners thence conducted him into his Stall, where he was by them invested with the Mantle, Hood, Great Collar, and George, whilst the Register read the usual Admonitions in these Cases, and the Commissioners delivering to him the Book of Statutes, placed the Cap on his Head, and seated him in his Stall, who making his Reverences to the Altar and then towards the Sovereign's Stall, the Commissioners embraced him and congratulated him, and leaving him in his Stall descended into the Area of the Chapel and stood under their Banners with the accustomed Ceremonies.

Then the Alms Knights, Prebends, Officers of Arms, the Officers of the Order, and the Knights Commissioners returned to the Chapter-House, and from thence proceeded again into the Choir, where the Lord Viscount Townshend was with the same Ceremonies installed in the thirteenth Stall of the Prince's Side.

During all this time the Organ plaid; then Divine Service was begun, and the Offertory Sentence being read, the Poor Knights made their Reverences and ranged themselves on both Sides as near as they could to the Rails of the Altar, the Officers of Arms did the same, and Garter rising from his Seat, made his Reverences in the Middle of the Choir, and summoned the Lord Viscount Townshend and the Earl of Scarborough to descend together, who having made their Reverences in their Stalls came down into the Choir, where meeting they again made their Reverences together and went to the Places under their Banners; in like Manner all the other Knights were summoned, the Juniors of them first, who descended all singly, because their Companions were absent, and stood likewise under their Banners.

All the Knights thus standing under their Banners, the two eldest Officers of Arms repaired to the Duke of Dorset the Senior Knight, and conducted him to the